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These release notes summarize new features, options and changes from version 7.6.1. For details of current features and functions, refer to the full documentation of version 7.6.0.

What's New?

- Fly Buys - may now be entered without check digits.
- Charge Posting - a unique invoice number prints on the receipt for Charge Posting transactions.
- PLU Short Group Lists - PoS terminals display short group items without a PLU price.
- EOD parameters - users may select the day in which to perform item movement.
- Dual Drawer - enables the connection of two cash drawers to one PoS terminal.
- Reward Checks - customers may now purchase Frequent Shopper items at their discounted price even if they are not Frequent Shopper members.
- Itemized Check Report - an itemized report may now be printed at the PoS terminal listing all checks tendered during the day.
- PLU Not Found Report - now prints during EOD.
- DELHIST Utility - deletes history data older than three months.
- Printer Problems at EOD - users may continue with manual EOD even when there are printer problems.
- Member Program Maintenance - enhancements have been made.

- EOD message - “EOD in progress” message has been added to the system.
- Electronic Journal - a search facility is now available for “Supervisor” overrides.
- Electronic Journal - transactions authorized by supervisors now appear in the Electronic Journal.
- Daily Reward Check Report - displays all Reward Checks issued by cashiers for the day.
- PLU CSV report converter - “Family Number” and “Second Family Number” fields added have been added to this screen.
- General POST Parameters 2 - new parameters have been added.
- Checkout Groups - a ‘report’ button has been added to the Checkout Groups maintenance screen.
- EOD Post Report by Checkout Bank - a new report for optional printing during End of Day.

New Back Office Parameters

The following parameters have been added to the system. Some of them may be described in other sections of these release notes.

General POST Parameters 3

Parameter	Description
Euro Rate	This parameter is applicable only for Windows POS systems.
Key-in Fly Buys number without check digit	Fly Buys card numbers may be entered as thirteen or sixteen digit numbers with or without the check digit.
'Payment amount' prompt defaults to 'balance due' amount	This parameter is applicable only for Windows POS systems.

General POST Parameters 2

Parameter	Description
Print unique invoice number on charge posting tickets	<p>If checked and a transaction is a Charge Posting transaction, a unique number is printed at the top of all three (multi part) receipts.</p> <p>The thirteen digit unique number is made up of the store number, lane number and transaction number.</p>

Parameter	Description
Don't print price in PLU group list	<p>If checked, PLU Short Group lists on the PoS terminal show 20 character PLU descriptions and 13 character PLU codes without their prices.</p> <p>If this parameter is not checked, the PoS terminal displays 14 character PLU descriptions and 13 character PLU codes with 4 character prices.</p>

End Of Day Parameters Page 02

Parameter	Description
Day in week to perform weekly item movement (0=regular EOW)	Select the day in which weekly item movement is to be performed. If zero, the system performs the regular End of Week. Item movement clears the current week's totals and moves data to the previous week.

POST Configuration

Parameter	Description
Dual drawer in use	<p>Check to enable two drawers at the PoS terminal. Use of a special cable is required.</p> <p>See Pages 5 and 7 for more details.</p>

Frequent Shopper Options

Parameter	Description
Print Frequent Shopper discount total only (no details)	This parameter is applicable only for Windows POS systems.

New Function Keys

You can map PoS terminal keys to these functions, or include them as options in the POS Back Office menu.

Function	Description
842 - EBT Balance Inquiry	Applicable only for Windows POS systems.
843 - Itemized Check Report	Enables the PoS to print a report listing all checks received for that day. See Page 15 for more details.
845 - Display Drawer Allocation	This indicates whether drawer one and two have been allocated, and to which cashier. This function key may not be activated if the parameter "Dual Drawer in use" is not checked. See Page 7 for more details.

Function	Description
846 - Release Drawer	Enables you to free a cash drawer previously allocated to another cashier. This function key may not be activated if the parameter “Dual Drawer in use” is not checked. See Page 7 for more details
	Note The Release Drawer key is useful in the event of a cashier leaving an allocated drawer at a PoS terminal, and signing on at another.

New Options, Enhancements and Changes

This section covers various new or improved features, enhancements and changes.

Dual Cash Drawer

The 'Dual drawer in use' parameter allows you to activate two cash drawers at one PoS terminal. This feature requires the use of a special cable. Each drawer is allocated to a different cashier. If both drawers are allocated, no other cashier may operate the PoS terminal until the 'Release Drawer' option is used, or a cashier signs-off.

➤ **To enable Dual Cash Drawers**

Before you set up dual cash drawer functionality, ensure that all the PoS terminals are signed-off

In System Maintenance & Utilities | Post Configuration, check the parameters 'Drawer' and 'Dual drawer in use'.

At the PoS terminal

- 1 First** cashier signs on, for example, at the start of a day. The PoS terminal automatically allocates drawer one.
- 2 First** cashier signs-off, at lunch break or at the end of a shift. The message: 'Release Drawer at sign off? Y/N' appears. If the response is YES, first cashier will no longer be allocated drawer one. If the response is NO then first cashier will still be allocated to drawer one.
- 3 Second** cashier signs-on; the PoS terminal automatically allocates drawer two if the first cashier selected 'No' in step 2.



- 4 First cashier returns from a lunch break and second cashier signs-off. The message: 'Release Drawer at sign off? Y/N' appears.
- 5 First cashier signs-on again and continues working with drawer one as previously allocated at start of shift.

Note If a third cashier attempts signing-on at the same PoS when both drawers have already been allocated, a Drawer Allocation message appears, as illustrated bellow.

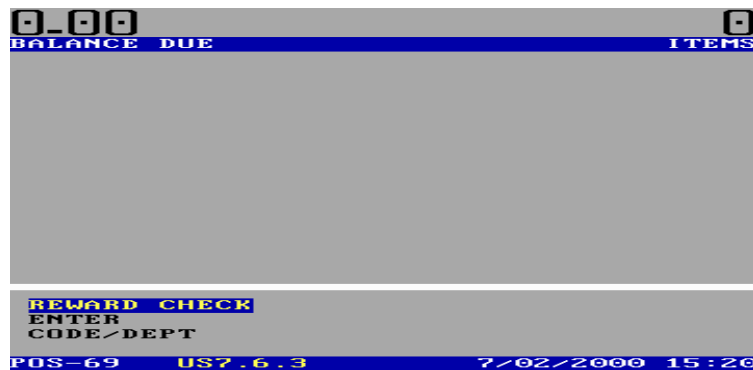
Reward Check

The Reward Check option enables you to use the member system for accumulating customer points. At the end of a transaction, a reward check is printed for every x amount of points accumulated. Remaining points are stored for the member's next visit.

This option enables Frequent Shopper members to purchase Frequent Shopper items at their discounted price. The customer's member card must be swiped at the PoS terminal and the reward check is printed only when the customer meets the purchase requirements. Reward checks are set up as templates and may be customized with the customer's name and account number. The template name is: CCMS_CPN01. All reward checks have a fixed barcode 6666777788882 (2 being the check digit - see page 18 for more details). Bar code printing requires the use of an Axiohm printer.

At the PoS terminal

The barcoded reward check may be scanned or manually entered at any time during a transaction. As soon as a reward check barcode is scanned or entered manually, the PoS terminal switches to "Reward Check" mode and the next item scanned is sold at the frequent shopper price. The PoS terminal exits "Reward Check" mode after the frequent shopper item has been scanned.



Calculation of Reward Checks

Reward Check discounts are calculated as follows:

Example 1: Weighted Items

When UPC2 barcoded items are sold, the frequent shopper price is calculated on the whole weight.

Melon:

Regular price \$4.00 per kilo

Frequent Shopper price \$3.90 per kilo

Customer buys 4kg's melon and pays \$15.60.

Example 2: Single Items (units)

When units are sold, the item's frequent shopper price is given to the customer once, regardless of how many of the same item they buy.

Peanut Butter:

Regular price \$2.00

Frequent Shopper price \$1.90

Customer buys 4 jars of peanut butter and pays \$7.90.

Example of a Reward Check Receipt:

The barcoded receipt prints immediately after the reward check receipt. An Axiohm printer is required to print barcoded receipts.

WELCOME TO ISS45		

Toothbrush		
20 @	5.00	100.00
20 BAL DUE		110.00
CASH		110.00
CHANGE		0.00
TAX-CODE	TAXABLE-VAL	TAX-VALUE
SALES TAX	100.00	10.00

CARD NO	100098778901	
MEMBER NAME:	MARK BROWN	

BEGINNING POINTS		5
POINTS THIS VISIT		20
REWARDS CK ISSUED (2)		-20
ENDING POINTS BALANCE		5

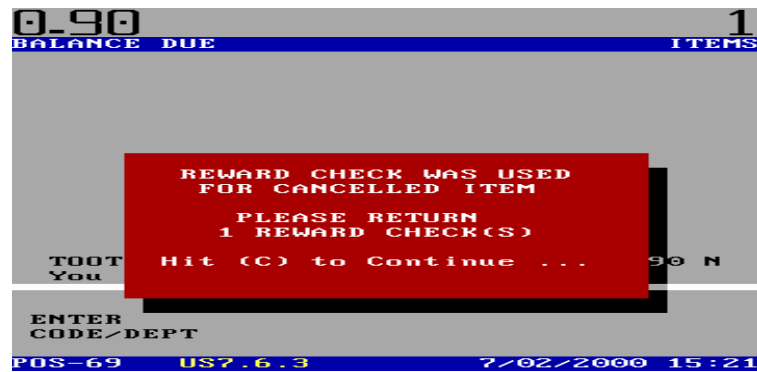
CASHIER NAME: MARY SMITH		
C0004	#0002	16:49:27
	18APR1999	
	S0001	R087

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If after scanning the reward check coupon, the next item scanned is not a frequent shopper item, the PoS displays a message. In this case the reward check may not be used.



If a frequent shopper item connected to reward checks is canceled, the reward check may no longer be used and a message prompts the cashier to return the reward check to the customer.



Note Customers are entitled to several coupons at a time. Each reward check earned by the customer prints out separately at the end of the transaction. An unlimited quantity of reward checks may be redeemed within one sale.

➤ **To enable Reward Checks**

- 1 In System Maintenance & Utilities, go to the Member Card screen and check the parameter 'Member card in system'.
- 2 Ensure that the parameter 'Frequent Shopper feature in use' is **NOT** checked.
- 3 In Member Card Maintenance, go to Member Card Scheme Maintenance and set up the member card scheme details as required. e.g. Threshold amount.
- 4 Set up member details as required. e.g. Member number.

Note It is recommended that the parameter "Suppress printing points on receipt" in POST Parameters File 2 is checked. If the parameter is not checked, point details on the customer receipt are duplicated.

- 5 In Member Card Maintenance go to Member Program Maintenance and set up the required details ensuring that 'Fixed barcode coupon printed' is selected as the 'Redemption rule' .
- 6 In Back Office Parameters, Windows NT Add-On's, set the parameter 'Local CCMS type' to 'Reward Check'.

PoS Terminal Itemized Check Report (X/Z modes)

An itemized check report is a printed list of checks accepted by the cashier during the day. Itemized check reports are printed at the till and lists details for the current trading day.

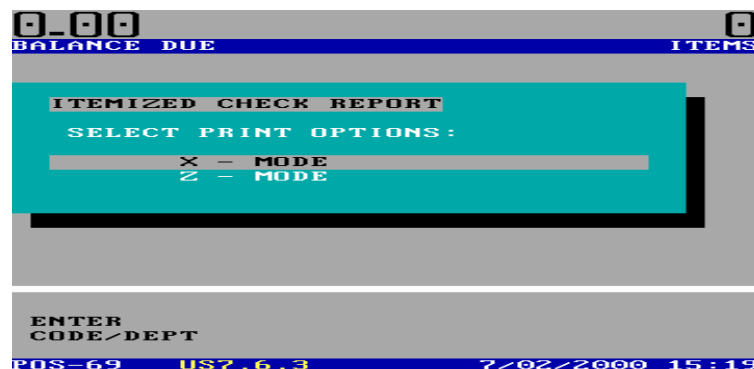
Every check report printed will also appear in the Electronic Journal. The itemized check report will print details (per cashier or PoS terminal) according to the 'Accountability' set in the Back Office.

When Pos Accountability is set in the system, the report may be printed while in signed-on or signed-off mode.

When Cashier Accountability is set, the report may only be printed while in signed-on mode.

Using X-mode to print the report ensures that all checks accepted after printing the report will be added to the existing report.

Using Z-mode prints the report and clears the data. Checks accepted after printing in Z-mode will be shown in the next report.



- Note**
1. Printing the itemized check report at the PoS terminal is not considered as a 'pick up' or 'declaration'.
 2. Checks canceled during a transaction do not appear on the report.
 3. Checks canceled using 'Post Void' do appear on the report.
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Example of an Itemized Check Report:

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ITEMIZED CHECK REPORT X - MODE		
TERMINAL #069		
STORE #00001		
OPERATOR #0004 MARY		
CUSTOMER ACCOUNT#		
AMOUNT		

2589647		\$100.00
7567865		\$155.00
8767876		\$190.00
=====		
TOTAL	3	\$445.00
CASHIER NAME: MARY SMITH		
C0004	#0007	12:39:07 12APR1999
	S0001	R087

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PLU Not Found Report

This report is now printed during EOD. The report may be set as a generate or print option in EOD Job Stream Reports. If 'generate' is selected, reports are created during EOD but are not printed.

The QDX file (9) holding the not-found statistics is cleared during EOD.

DELHIST Utility

This utility deletes data from zipped history report files older than three months. The accumulation of data takes up a lot of disk space, therefore data must be cleared from the history zip files.

DELHIST runs automatically at End-Of-Month and will scan all the EOD reports located in the directory: C:\Pcmaster\History.

➤ To run DELHIST manually

- 1 To delete all zipped report files, at the C:\Pcmaster DOS prompt type: **DELHIST /all** and press *Enter*.
- 2 To delete a specific report file, at the C:\Pcmaster DOS prompt type: **DELHIST /[FILE_NAME]** and press *Enter*.

Example:

DELHIST / VOID_REP (The zipped Void report will be deleted).

Printer Problems at EOD

During a manual EOD, the system would previously not allow EOD to continue if a PoS terminal reported a printer problem. Now, the EOD process still runs, but the PoS will not print out the usual report. The PoS report details may be seen in the Electronic Journal.

The POS terminal which reported the printer error will send the error to the log file: E-OF-DAY.ERR

Member Program Maintenance

A *Delete* button has been added to the Member Program Maintenance screen. Instead of deleting via the General Batch file utility, it is now possible to delete directly from the Member Program Maintenance screen.

A new redemption rule called 'Fixed bar-code coupon printed' has been added to the Member Program update screen. Selecting this enables the PoS terminal to print reward checks. See page 10 for more details.

Checkout Bank Groups

A *Report* button has been added to the Checkout Bank Groups screen. It is now possible to print directly from the Checkout Bank Groups screen.

EOD Message

A new EOD message, "EOD in progress" has been added to the system. This message will appear on MFS1 or MFS2 when End of Day is run from either of these PCs. The message displays on the relevant PC until the EOD process is complete.

Note Users may not use MFS1 or MFS2 (whichever server the message appears on) until the EOD process is complete.

Electronic Journal - Search Facility

A search facility "Supervisor" (option 19) has been added to the Electronic Journal. This new option allows users to search for any supervisor overrides.

Electronic Journal - Supervisor Authorizations

Transactions which needed supervisor authorization at the PoS terminal will appear in the Electronic Journal. The word 'Supervisor' and the supervisors password will be shown.

Check Service Fee Programming

The only tender number acceptable for check service fee programming is tender number 1 (cash).

It is essential that users do not specify tender number 2 (Check) for check fees as problems may occur.

Note A fix will be released in the near future to rectify this problem.

New Reports

Daily Reward Check Report

The Daily Reward Check Report displays all reward checks issued for a specific trading day.

The following information per cashier is shown:

- Cashier Number
- Ticket Number
- Reward Check Amount
- PLU description
- Total Cashier
- Store Total

This report may be set as a generate or print option in EOD Job Stream Reports.

EOD Post Report by Checkout Bank

This new report has been added to the system. The report may be set as a generate or print option in EOD Job Stream Reports.

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